

Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, March 9, with transcript

Letter from Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. 1331 Connecticut Ave., Washington, D. C. Monday, Mar. 9th., 1896 My darling Alec:

I have written Mr. McCurdy first tonight because you wouldn't make time to stay and talk to your wife but had to go and call on a lady! I can't help it if it was business, I think after being away from me all this time you might have put business aside for a while.

I don't see why it is necessary for you to go to Baddeck at all now. I think you might let Mr. McCurdy go ahead by himself and come back. I won't have but one more party after this week, and perhaps that won't come until April. I told you I was going to have the lunch party. The dinner on Tuesday was extempore for Harry and the reception Friday also for Mr Kennan and will not cost very much. The other party is a dance for Elsie at Easter.

I was at Papa's dinner this evening. Mr. Burr the Professor of History at Cornell who was summoned to act as expert to the Venezuela Com. was there. He is a little man with a full beard.

I took Mrs Pollock and Mme de' Chambrun to Woodward and Lothrop. Papa says Mme de' Chambrun is a Grand daughter of Lafayette. Her daughter married last summer M. de Brazza the Belgian Commander in the Congo. She is there with him now. I think both ladies enjoyed their morning, they were very much interested in the bargain counters as much so as any thrifty Yankee housewife.

I think I am too sleepy to make my letter worth reading. It's perusal would take up too much of your valuable time!

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But I wanted you to know that I love you and thank you for 2 your nice long letter received this morning.

Ever your own, Mabel. It does not seem possible that Mr. Gallaudet could deliberately falsify returns. I don't think I would answer him to the Annals they would hardly publish it.